

Court of Appeals, S.C.

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Initially created by Act 164, 1979 and made permanent and included in the Constitution of this State as of July 1, 1985 by Act 9, 1985. Act 145, 1995 added three new seats to the Court of Appeals. The Court has nine judges, may sit in panels of three, and its appellate jurisdiction includes questions of law and equity arising from the circuit and family courts except for appeals: (1) involving the sentence of death; (2) from the circuit court setting public utility rates; (3) involving principally the constitutionality of state laws or local ordinances; (4) involving state or local bonds or other indebtedness; (5) pertaining to elections; (6) concerning the limiting of grand jury investigations; (7) involving a family court order relating to abortion by a minor. These seven classes of cases are reviewed by the Supreme Court. The Court of Appeals has been empowered by the General Assembly to receive appeals directly from the Administrative Law Court and the Workers' Compensation Commission.

KAYE G. HEARN, Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals,
Seat 5. Term expires June 30, 2015. Box 11629,
Columbia 29211, Tel. (803) 734-1925.



HEARN, Kaye Gorenflo—(Horry Co.) residing at 1100 Oak St., Conway 29526; *b.* Jan. 30, 1950 in Delaware, Ohio; *d.* James F. and Kathleen (Haines) Gorenflo; *g.* Bethany Coll., B.A., *cum laude*, 1972; Univ. of S.C., J.D., *cum laude*, 1977; Univ. of Va., LL.M., 1998; Feb. 16, 1980 *m.* George M. Hearn, 1 child, Kathleen Wrenn; Order of the Wig and Robe; recipient, Amer. Jurisprudence Award, Conflict of Laws; Legal Writing Instructor;

listed in *Who's Who Among Students in Amer. Colls. and Univs.*, 1971–72; law clerk to the Honorable J. B. Ness, Assoc. Justice of the S.C. Supreme Court, 1977–79; private law practice,

Admin. Asst./Law Clerk Brendan J. McDonald
Law Clerks James K. Gilliam
 Chad Johnston



Admin. Asst. Aline Ferguson
Law Clerks Lucia Hoefer Leaman
 Jennifer Madsen

PAUL EDGAR SHORT, JR., Judge of the Court of Appeals, Seat 1. Term expires June 30, 2011. Box 11629, Columbia 29211, Tel. (803) 734-1905.



SHORT, Paul Edgar, Jr.—(Chester Co.) residing in Chester; *b.* Jan. 13, 1947 in Gastonia, N.C.; *s.* Paul E., Sr. and Betty (Pearson) Short; *g.* The Citadel, B.A., 1968; Univ. of S.C., J.D., 1971; June 14, 1968 *m.* Linda Ruth Huffstetler, 2 children, Lindy Lee and Melanie Lynne; Chester Co. Atty., 1980–82; Chm., Co. Airport Comm., 1981–82; past Pres., Chester Sertoma

Club; mem.: Amer. Legion; Chester Shrine Club; Masonic Lodge; former Elder, Purity Presbyterian Church; mil. serv.: USAR, 1st Lt.; SCNG, 1st Lt., 1972–73; mem., House of Reps., 1983–91; elected Judge at-large, Seat 8, Feb. 6, 1991; qualified July 11, 1991; elected Judge of the Sixth Circuit Feb. 10, 1999 to fill vacancy created by Don S. Rushing, retired; elected Judge of the Court of Appeals, Seat 1, May 25, 2004 to fill vacancy created by Carol Conner, deceased; qualified June 3, 2004, serving continuously since.

Admin. Asst. Hethie Burgess

Law Clerks Jeanette Barber
Alyssa Stigamier

H. BRUCE WILLIAMS, Judge of the Court of Appeals, Seat 2. Term expires June 30, 2011. Box 11629, Columbia 29211, Tel. (803) 734-2139.



WILLIAMS, H. Bruce—(Richland Co.) residing at 418 Shandon St., Columbia 29205; *b.* Mar. 13, 1956 in Columbia; *s.* H. Lanier Williams and Edna Harris; *g.* Wofford Coll., B.A., 1978; Univ. of S.C., J.D., 1982; Nov. 17, 1984 *m.* Sharon C. Williams, 2 children, Elizabeth Margaret and Anne Carlisle; private practice, 1982–95; Assoc. Irmo Town Judge,

1992–95; former Bd. mem., S.C. Trial Lawyers Assn., Family Law Section; past Pres., Cola. Kiwanis Club; Advisor, Cola. High School Key Club, 1983–95; 5th Judicial Circuit Family Court Judge, 1995–04; S.C. Conf. of Family Court Judges, Secy.-Treas., 1998–99, VP, 1999–00, Pres., 2000–01; Richland Co. Juvenile Drug Court Judge, 1997–; mem., S.C. Bar; admitted

to practice in all S.C. Courts & U.S. Dist. Court for S.C.; elected May 25, 2004 to fill the unexpired term of William L. Howard, retired; qualified June 3, 2004, serving continuously since.

Admin. Asst. & Law ClerkDaniel Wiley

Law ClerksSaurabh Patel

Lucy Coble

**PAULA H. THOMAS, Judge of the Court of Appeals,
Seat 4. Term expires June 30, 2013. Box 11629,
Columbia 29211, Tel. (803) 734-1917.**

THOMAS, Paula H.—(Georgetown Co.)

residing on Pawleys Island; *b.* Oct. 20, 1957 in

Sumter; *d.* James L. and Betty G. Hinson;

g. Univ. of S.C., B.S., 1979, M.Ed., 1981, J.D.,

1986; May 25, 1985 *m.* Don Stanley Thomas,

3 children, Austin, Kristen, and Kelly; Bd.

mem., Georgetown Co. Humane Soc., 1987;

Chm., Walk-America, Georgetown Co., 1988;

Treas., Georgetown Co. Bar, 1991; Admin. Bd. Chair, St. Paul's

Waccamaw, UMC, 1992; House of Reps., 1993–96; 2nd VC,

House Jud. Com.; Chm., House Gen. Laws Subcom; elected

Judge at-large, Seat 1, May 22, 1996 to fill unexpired term of

Ralph King Anderson, Jr., elected to Court of Appeals; quali-

fied July 26, 1996; Judge of the Fifteenth Circuit May 23,

1998–07; elected to Court of Appeals Feb. 7, 2007 to succeed

C. Tolbert Goolsby, retired; qualified June 18, 2007.

Admin. Asst.Elaine P. Langston

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Thomas Rode



**DANIEL F. PIEPER, Judge of the Court of Appeals,
Seat 7. Term expires June 30, 2014. 100 Broad St.,
Blake Bldg. #200, Charleston 29401-2287, Tel. (843)
958-5142, Fax (843) 958-5143.**

PIEPER, Daniel F.—(Charleston Co.) *b.* Oct. 8

in Charleston; *s.* Marion A. Pieper, Sr. and

Simone Pieper; *g.* Coll. of Charleston, B.A.;

Univ. of S.C., J.D.; N.Y. Univ., LL.M.; attended

Citadel MBA program; lifetime mem., S.C.

Summary Court Judges Assn.; Magistrates Adv.

Com.; Chief Justice's Technology Adv. Comm.;



Chief Justice's Task Force on Trial Court Operations; Supreme Court Comm. on Continuing Legal Educ. and Specialization; Adv. Bd., Coll. of Charleston Bilingual Legal Interpretation Masters Prog.; Adjunct Professor (Criminal Law, Adv. Criminal Law, Equitable Remedies), Charleston School of Law, 2005–; Adv. Bd., Charleston School of Law; Magistrate, 1989–91; Master-In-Equity, 1993–96; Special Circuit Judge, 1993–96; Resident Circuit Judge of the Ninth Judicial Circuit May 22, 1996–Nov. 1, 2007; elected Judge of the Court of Appeals May 23, 2007 to fill unexpired term of H. Samuel Stilwell, retired; qualified Oct. 19, 2007.

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Will Littlejohn

Intern Rusty Lloyd

APHRODITE K. KONDUROS, Judge of the Court of Appeals, Seat 6. Term expires June 30, 2015. 305 E. North St., Suite 116, Greenville 29601, Tel. (864) 467-8496, Fax (864) 467-8786.



KONDUROS, Aphrodite K.—(Greenville Co.) *d.* James Karvelas and the late Christine Stathopoulos Karvelas; *g.* Univ. of S.C., B.A., 1981, J.D., 1984; 1994 *m.* Sam Konduros; Canterbury Scholar Award, Univ. of S.C. School of Law Student Bar Pres.; admitted to practice 1985; law clerk to Hon. David F. McInnis; Dep. Gen. Counsel for S.C. Dept. of Disabilities and Special Needs; Asst. Gen. Counsel, S.C. Dept. of Social Servs.; Co. Dir., Greenville Dept. of Social Servs.; mem.: S.C. Bar; Greenville Bar; VP, Cola. Young Lawyers; bd. mem.: Safe Harbor Shelter; Prevent Child Abuse Carolina; First Steps; Greenville Ballet; mem., St. George Greek Orthodox Church; Family Court Judge, 2002–08; elected Judge of the Court of Appeals Feb. 6, 2008 to fill unexpired term of Donald W. Beatty, elected to Supreme Court; qualified Feb. 21, 2008.

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**JOHN D. GEATHERS, Judge of the Court of Appeals,
Seat 3. Term expires June 30, 2013. P.O. Box 11629,
Columbia 29211, Tel. (803) 734-2429.**

GEATHERS, John D.—(Richland Co.) residing in Blythewood; b. April 10, 1961 in Georgetown; s. John H. and Gardenia (Graham) Geathers; g. Univ. of S.C., B.A., 1983, J.D., 1986; m. Doris Williams, 2 children, Lydia Kaden and John Samuel Douglas; admitted to S.C. Bar, 1986 and N.C. State Bar, 1992; Senior Staff Counsel, Off. of Sen. Research, 1987–95; Judge, S.C. Admin. Law Court, 1994–08; elected to S.C. Court of Appeals, Seat 3, May 21, 2008, to fill the unexpired and subsequent term of John W. Kittredge, who was elected to the S.C. Supreme Court; qualified Aug. 7, 2008.



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**JAMES EDWARD LOCKEMY, Judge of the Court of
Appeals, Seat 9. Term expires June 30, 2016. P.O. Box
750, Dillon 29536, Tel. (843) 774-4166.**

LOCKEMY, James Edward—(Dillon Co.) b. Sept. 23, 1949; s. James Edmund and Nettie (Turbeville) Lockemy; g. Pembroke State Univ., B.A., 1971; Univ. of S.C., J.D., 1974; Georgetown Univ., Masters Prog., 1979; attended The Citadel, 1967–68; Masters Degree Candidate, Univ. of Nevada, Reno (Judicial Studies); 2 children, James Michael and William Travis; Pres., Dillon Kiwanis Club, 1982–83; Bd. of Visitors, Med. Univ. of S.C., 1986; Greater Univ. of S.C. Alumni Bd., 1986; Dist. Chm., Boy Scouts of America, 1980–81; selected one of the *Outstanding Young Men of America*, 1980; House of Reps., 1983–89; Dillon Co. Citizen of the Year, 1987; Pres., Dillon Co. Theatre, 1995–96; Dillon Co. Veteran of the Year, 1999; Bd. of Visitors, Coker Coll., 2001–02; mil. serv.: USA, Judge Advocate's Gen.'s Corp, Ft. Bragg, N.C., 1974–77; Comd. Judge Advocate 28th Infantry Div., Task Force Falcon, Kosovo, 2003–04; COL (ret.) USA and SCANG; Brigadier Gen., S.C.



Mil. Dept., 2005–; Pres., Natl. Guard Assn. of S.C., 2005–06; recipient, Order of the Palmetto, 2005; Exec. Com., Natl. Conf. of State Trial Judges, Judicial Div., Amer. Bar Assn., 2006–08; mem., Editorial Bd., *The Judges Journal*; Pres., S.C. Circuit Judges Assn., 2006–; inducted into The S.C. Dixie Youth Baseball Honor Roll, 2007; Circuit Judge at-large, Seat 6, 1989–08; elected Judge of the S.C. Court of Appeals, Seat 9, May 21, 2008, to fill the unexpired term of Ralph King Anderson, Jr., retired; qualified Nov. 18, 2008.

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